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## **Woman Charged with Killing Mother in Lakewood**

A 32-year-old woman accused of killing her mother at a Lakewood apartment pleaded not guilty Friday afternoon, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Angie Diamond (dob 10/7/81), of Los Angeles, was charged with one count of murder in case VA135395. The felony complaint includes special allegations that the defendant personally used deadly weapons, a hammer and knife, in the commission of the crime.

The charging document also includes a 2013 felony conviction in Los Angeles County for making criminal threats.

Prosecutors said on May 25, Diamond went to her mother's apartment in Lakewood and allegedly killed her with a hammer and knife. After the fatal assault, the defendant left the home. Two days later, the victim's body was discovered by family.

On May 28, law enforcement went to the Diamond's home and arrested her in connection with the victim's death. She is currently being held on \$1.14 million bail.

Diamond's next court appearance is scheduled for June 6 for a pre-preliminary hearing in Department J of the Los Angeles County Superior Court in Norwalk. If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a maximum sentence of 35 years to life in state prison.

The case is being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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